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State Planning Commission

1. The State Planning Commission was called in Rumanian, Comisia de Stat a Planificarii. This Commission, during the Fall of 1951, was housed in a seven or eight-story-high blockhouse which had formerly been occupied by the Rumanian National Railroads (Calea Ferate Romane - CFR) in Bucharest. It was located on Elisabeta Boulevard and the entire ground floor of the building was occupied by the State Secondhand Store (Consignatii).
2. This Commission had the function of coordinating the flow of raw materials and other materials needed by the Rumanian industries for production.

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the State Planning Commission and the Ministry of Finance gave approval for purchase of raw materials in foreign countries.

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National Scientific Council

3.

[redacted] the Academy of Science (Academia Stiintii in Bucharest had established, possibly in 1949, a new department whose main concern was technical research and development for the purpose of supplying practical solutions to the problem of the industrialization effort of Rumania.

4.

[redacted] this department or section of the Academy of Science employed some scientists but also many engineers and technicians of all types, ranging from geology to electricity to industrial machines and steam engines.

5. The Academy of Science in Bucharest was considered the major research center of Rumania. [redacted] Rumanian newspapers, in 1950 and 1951, propaganda articles about the Academy of Science which made claims that this organization no longer engaged in highly-theoretical studies but was now geared to the practical sciences. The National Scientific Council, if not synonymous with the department described above, might possibly be another department subordinate to the Academy of Science.

Committee for Inventions and Discoveries

6. In the Dinamo Electrical Equipment Plant [redacted] the Committee for Inventions and Discoveries (Comitetul de Inovatii), was directly subordinate to the factory's union. This Committee encouraged workers in the plant to submit timesaving ideas about their particular jobs. Any outstanding idea or suggestion was usually rewarded by a cash prize.

State Commission for Standardization

7.

[redacted] This Commission was Soviet-inspired and has, since 1950 or 1951, been publishing monthly issues of standards for construction and production known as S.T.A.S. [redacted] These publications were the Rumanian equivalent of the Soviet GOST type of standards publications.

8. Many of the engineering students at the Bucharest Polytechnic had, upon graduation, received jobs with the State Commission for Standardization. These young engineers were sent for practical training into various Rumanian industries and were then called into the offices of the Commission after having completed training in one particular industrial process.

National Bureau of Inventions

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[redacted] The Committee for Inventions and Discoveries might possibly be subordinate to the National Bureau of Inventions.

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General Directorate of Manpower Reserves

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 25X1 Manpower Reserves (Rezervie Muncii). This was a State organization
 25X1 which [redacted] was organized on the pattern of the Soviet Manpower
 Reserve Bureau. [redacted]

Foreign Scientific and Technical Cooperation

- 25X1 11. The major organization in Rumania which collected foreign scientific
 and technical literature was the Institute for Technical Documents
 (Institutul de Documentare Tehnica - IDT). This institute imported
 the latest technical novelties from the USSR, France, England, and
 the US. It was known to have a "large" collection of foreign
 technical publications. [redacted]
 25X1 [redacted] A person had to have special permission
 from his employer to use the IDT's reference facilities. In 1951,
 25X1 [redacted] a decimal cataloging system was being
 installed.
- 25X1 12. [redacted] this
 organization was eager to hire engineers who knew several foreign
 languages. [redacted] the IDT would supply
 industries with technical bibliographies and treatises.
13. The Tecno-Import State Organization in Bucharest also had a small
 library of pamphlets, prospectuses, and ads for all types of foreign
 machinery and products. The Library of the Electro-Technical
 Faculty of the Bucharest Polytechnic Institute had Soviet as well
 as Western technical records material. The Library of the Institute
 of Energy Studies and Projects in Bucharest was well stocked with
 domestic, Soviet, and Western technical literature.
- 25X1 14. The Tecno-Import State Agency was known to acquire samples of
 foreign instruments and equipment. The sharpshooting club [redacted]
 25X1 [redacted] approached the Tecno-Import Agency in an
 attempt to secure firearms from abroad. [redacted]
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- 25X1 15. [redacted] permission
 to visit industries or research laboratories inside Rumania was
 given by the Ministry of Industry or the Ministry of Electrical
 Energy. The Union of the Working Youth (Uniunea Tineretului Muncitoresc
 UTM) had a department called Foreign Relations (Relatii cu Strainatatea)
 which primarily arranged and organized students' visits to industries
 within the Satellite countries or the USSR. [redacted]
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Research and Development

- 25X1 16. The Academy of Science, mentioned above, was responsible for
 research and development of Rumanian industries. [redacted]
 [redacted] it probably
 did come under the subordination of the Industrial Ministries.
 The major offices of the Academy of Science in Bucharest were
 located on the west side of Calea Victoriei, approximately 200 m.
 south of its intersection with Manu Boulevard.
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- 25X1 17. Institute for Metallurgical Projects (Institutul de Proectari Matalurgice - IPROMET): [redacted] this Institute was called the Institute for Industrial Projects (Institutul de Proectari Industriale IPI). This organization coordinated with the IPC, and established plant layouts and machinery layouts for Rumanian industries. The IPROMET was subordinate to the Ministry of Metallurgical Industries.
- 25X1 18. Institute for Construction Projects (Institutul de Proectari de Constructie - IPC): This institute was part of the IPI [redacted] The IPC was subordinate to the Ministry of Construction. Its main function was planning housing projects. [redacted]
- 25X1 19. Institute for Chemical Projects (Institutul de Proectari Chimice - IPROCHIM): This Institute was subordinate to the Ministry of Chemical Industry.
- 25X1 20. Institute of Energy Studies and Projects (Institutul de Studii si Proectari Energetice - ISPE): [redacted]
- 25X1 21. Institute of Electro-Technical Research (Institutul de Cercetari Electrotecnice): [redacted] this organization was in the early stages of formation. Most of the highly-qualified technicians of the Dinamo plant had been told that they would be part-time employees of this Institute which, at that time, had not as yet found a location for its offices and laboratories.
- 25X1 22. Institute of Geological Research (Institutul de Cercetari Geologice): [redacted]

Military Research Institutes

- 25X1 23. There was an aeronautical research institute in which Professor (fnu) Carafoli, an eminent aerodynamics teacher at the Polytechnic Institute, Bucharest, was one of the prominent leaders. Some of the professor's assistants worked part-time at this Institute which was located near Piata Amzei, Bucharest.
- 25X1 24. [redacted]

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